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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 through 10 and 12 through 30 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 10 and 20 are hereby amended.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 14, 16 through 19, 20, 21, 23 and 26 through 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over WO 98/17032 to Borgstahl, et al. ("Borgstahl, et al. publication") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,793,630 to Theimer, et al. ("Theimer, et al. patent"). Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16 through 19, 20, 21, 23, 24 and 26 through 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the Borgstahl, et al. publication in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,381,465 to Chern et al. ("Chern, et al. patent"). Claims 4, 13 and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the Borgstahl, et al. publication in view of the Theimer, et al. patent, the Chern, et al. patent and U.S. Patent No. 5,479,408 to Will ("Will patent"). Claims 3, 7, 12 15, 22 and 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the Borgstahl, et al. publication in view of the Theimer, et al. patent, the Chern, et al. patent and the U.S. Patent No.5,412, 654 to Perkins ("Perkins patent").

Claim 1 as amended provides, *inter alia*, "a user output device for outputting concurrently the information regarding the plurality of members, the information including an identity of a person associated with each of the plurality of members". Similarly, claim 10 as amended provides, *inter alia*, "outputting concurrently the information regarding the plurality of members to a user output device, the information including an identity of a person associated with each of the plurality of members", and claim 20 as amended provides, *inter alia*, "an output associated

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with the display member for outputting concurrently the accessed information regarding the plurality of source members, the accessed information including an identity of a person associated with each source member". Support for the above recitation is provided at page 3, lines 28 and 29, of the specification.

In contrast, none of the cited references above describe or suggest outputting concurrently information regarding a plurality of members, including an identity of a person associated with each member, as required by amended claims 1, 10 and 20. Page 3, lines 11 through 13, and page 5, lines 10 through 12, of the above Office Action states the Borgstahl, et al. publication does not include a user output device outputting concurrently information regarding a plurality of members. Also, the Theimer, et al. and Chern, et al. patents describe output devices for displaying information about multiple devices, but these patents do not describe or suggest displaying identities of persons associated with multiple devices. Likewise, the Will and Perkins patents does not describe or suggest any type of output device for displaying information about multiple devices. Therefore, amended claims 1, 10 and 20 distinguish patentably from the Borgstahl, et al. publication, the Theimer, et al. patent, the Chern, et al. patent, the Will patent, the Perkins patent, and any combination of these references.

Claims 2 through 9, 11 through 19, and 21 through 27 depend from and include all of the limitations of independent claims 1, 10 and 20 as amended. Therefore, claims 2 through 9, 11 through 19, and 21 through 27 distinguish patentably from the Borgstahl, et al. publication, the Theimer, et al. patent, the Chern, et al. patent, the Will patent, the Perkins patent, and any combination of these references for the reasons stated above for amended claims 1, 10 and 20.

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In view of the above, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of claims 1, 3 through 10 and 12 through 30 are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

No amendment made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated herein. Also, no amendment made was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless Applicants have argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any additional fees arising as a result of this Amendment, including any fees for Extensions of Time, or any other communication from or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2117.

It is submitted that the claims clearly define the invention, are supported by the specification and drawings, and are in a condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions or concerns that may expedite prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

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